

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who stand as a shining example for others to follow in light of their unselfish, patriotic service in the United States military; and

Whereas, Joseph “Pal” Pinson will be honored during a Veterans Day program which will be held on Saturday, November 8, 2003, at Amvets Memorial Post #48; and

Whereas, a Korean-era veteran, Pal Pinson provided sustenance for his fellow soldiers by serving as an Army Cook who trained at Fort Leonard Wood beginning in June 1953, was subsequently stationed at Fort Polk, and received his honorable discharge in September 1955 at Fort Riley; and

Whereas, Pal Pinson is a retired metal polisher who worked for Southern Equipment Company of St. Louis, was Assistant Chief of the De Soto Fire Department during his twenty-five-year-long tenure with that public safety organization, and held the offices of Second Vice Commander and Entertainment Chairman at Amvets Memorial Post #48; and

Whereas, universally hailed as a great friend by all who know him, Pal Pinson successfully provided excellent leadership and good entertainment for his fellow veterans during his active involvement with Amvets Memorial Post #48; and

Whereas, the son of Clifford and Victoria Pinson, Pal Pinson is justifiably proud of his reputation as a loving family man who has been married to his beloved Eleanor for fifty years in a union which has been blessed down through the years by three sons, Terry, Rick, and Rob; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives add its accolades and honors to those Pal Pinson will receive from Amvets Memorial Post #48 during Veterans Day observances in the year 2003:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Pal Pinson for special recognition by Amvets Memorial Post #48, to convey to him this legislative body’s most heartfelt commendation of his contributions while in the military and as a civilian, and to express our best wishes for continued success now and in the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Joseph “Pal” Pinson of De Soto, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Wes Wagner
District No. 104

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted _____, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker